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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 577  
By Montgomery

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Head Coach Steve Brewer and the 1999 Sevier County High School Football Team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class 5-A State Championship title.

WHEREAS, this Tennessee General Assembly is proud to honor those noteworthy high school football teams that, through their talent, discipline, and will to win, have established themselves in the annals of Tennessee gridiron glory; and

WHEREAS, the excellent 1999 Sevier County High School football team is one such group of young men who through their brute strength and willingness to win, culminated their best season ever by winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class 5-A State Championship game; and

WHEREAS, their exemplary regular season included victories over Powell 17-0, Karns 28-7, Dobyys-Bennett 39-20, Science Hill 24-7, Morristown East 41-20, Cocke County 63-12, and Jefferson County 41-14; and

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WHEREAS, in the preliminary rounds of the TSSAA Class 5-A playoffs, the Smoky Bears beat Bearden 25-16, William Blount 31-21, Oak Ridge 32-10, and Murfreesboro Oakland 51-31; and

WHEREAS, this memorable team will never forget December 4, 1999 when they earned a berth in the Clinic Bowl, and defeated the tough Glencliff squad 31-27; and

WHEREAS, making their fifth straight playoff appearance, this was the first state champion trophy for Sevier County; and

WHEREAS, the Smoky Bears also won the coveted Region 1, 5-A Championship; and

WHEREAS, this tremendously talented team finished with an enviable 12-3 overall record, a winning percentage of .800; and

WHEREAS, their powerful offense averaged 32.1 points per game and their stingy defense only allowed 17.8 points per game; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Steve Brewer and his capable Assistant Coaches, Tony Linginfelter, Kenny Ratledge, Toby Ward, Billy Ward, Bryan Atchley, Chuck Field, and Todd Loveday are to be commended for leading the team to victory; and

WHEREAS, the members of the team were: Jeffrey Sutton, Chad Hopkins, Austin Whaley, P. J. Burden, Shane Kelley, Jonathan Brewer, Josh Householder, Dustin Huffaker, Angelo Raga, Eric Gibson, Daniel Atchley, Matt Branch, Anthony Kendall, Casey DeCoursey, Michael Etherton, Joe Whaley, Jeremy Tippens, Greg Cole, Jake Huskey, Justin Huffaker, Scott Adams, Jerry Maynard, Travis Harmon, Brad Harrell, Janiel Dean, Reed Atchley, Doug Tarwater, Tamian Dean, James Byrd, Kevin Stevens, Andy Spurling, Michael King, Daniel Dudley, Justin Gibson, Matt Tipton, Steven Ratcliff, Keener Shanton, Nathan Wilson, Ronald Smith, R. J. Treadway, John Rogers, Dustin Mount, Nathan Turner, Jac Catlett, Chris Turner, Ronnie Huskey, Michael Walston, Brandon Hollyfield, Will Hogan, Cody McCarter, Eric Stair, Michael McCarroll, Jonathan Morris, Robbie Smith, Brandon Gibson, Jacob Howell, Greg Bull, Andy Caughron, Travis McCarter, Paul Monroe, Richard Gray, Reagan Sims, Erik Beckstrom,

Jerriod Householder, Josh Parton, David Hoffecker, and Luke Laney, each of whom has contributed to the success of the team this season; and

WHEREAS, Principal Gary Roach and Athletic Director Al Cardiel have also been very supportive. Equipment Coordinator Mike Patterson and Managers Tyler Beckley and Bobby Walker have been very diligent in their efforts to help the team succeed; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor the State Champion Sevier County High School football team on their numerous accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Head Coach Steve Brewer and the 1999 Sevier County High School football team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class 5-A State Championship title and wish them much continued success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.